

June Court ---- 1724

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St Thomas Dixion } Somerset County vs Francis Mercer late of St Keynes Parish in Somerset
a/c. } County Mercer was attainted to answer unto Thomas Dixion of ye tyme of
Francis Mercer } tyme of his attaintment upon the said Thomas Dixion. And whereupon the same Thomas by Francis Allen
his attorney complained that whereas Capt Francis Mercer the thirtieth day of October in the year
of our Lord God one thousand seven hundred and twenty at the County of Somerset, and within the said
County was indebted unto him the aforesaid Thomas in the sum of twelve pounds and two shillings
of lawful money of America as by an account thereof hereinafter ready to be produced may
appear and so having being indebted thereto Francis Mercer afterward that is to say the same thirtieth
day of October in the year aforesaid at the County aforesaid and within the said jurisdiction aforesaid in consideration where
of upon his selfe did promise and unto the aforesaid Thomas that he there full fully did promise that he aforesaid
Francis Mercer the same twelve pounds, two shillings money aforesaid unto the same Thomas when hereof
afterward he should be required well and faithfully would pay and content and allie. the aforesaid Francis Mercer
Nine pounds thirteen shillings free of the aforesaid twelve shillings towards two shillings to the said Thomas
he hath paid and satisfied yest to two pounds nine shillings residue of the aforesaid twelve pounds and two
shillings the said Francis his promise and aforesaid aforesaid in sum aforesaid made little regarding but of late
and fraudulently exceeding the same Thomas in his part faithfully and sincerely to desire and doth
the aforesaid two pounds nine shillings or any part thereof unto the same Thomas hath not paid or will
any let calculated (albeit to doe the same the aforesaid Francis Mercer afterward to wit the first day of
May in 3 years in Lord God One thousand seven hundred and twenty one and often afterward
at the County aforesaid the said jurisdiction aforesaid by the aforesaid Thomas was required) but that unto his selfe to
pay or in any way
Content altogether hath refused and shall doth refuse to the damage of the
said Thomas of four pounds eighteen shillings money aforesaid whereupon he bringeth suitte aforesaid
1720 vs Capt Francis Mercer - Attest Our Pledge & your Attestable

To sale of my house in Barbadoes £1000.
To take up £1000 on Board of Ships
Paid by Jeremiah Head } on 17/10
To odd ball on Board three warrs £1000. on 15/10
To you promise to abid of freight for my house on £1000

On board £1000
By freight of your time of loading - £1000
By bill of lading - 300
By 2 drachas of odd ball - 100
By 1 bushell for as you say - £100
By consumption of odd ball - on hand
£9413 00
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Errors excepted vs Thomas Dixion. Due by you

Whereupon at the prayer of the party attorney aforesaid Francis Mercer is adjudged to give
bail to the action aforesaid whereupon a certain Lewis Hale of Somerset County Gentleman present here in Court
undertaketh for the said Francis Mercer that he will be the said Thomas Dixion shall recover judgment in the
plea aforesaid against the said Francis Mercer or that the said Francis Mercer shall be therein found that then
the said Francis Mercer shall pay the judgment of the sum aforesaid or under his body to the
Custody of the Sheriff of Somerset County in satisfaction thereof or that he the said Lewis Hale will do
for him - Whereupon the said Francis Mercer by Lewis Hale his attorney freely & defend, the free
and Indemnity when & as said that he cannot gainsay the right his actions to be aforesaid against him -
(brought)